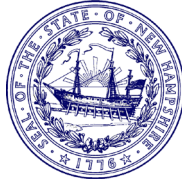


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RE: DT 24-075 Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC Interconnection Agreement between Dish Wireless, LLC and Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC

Dear Chair Goldner:

On May 22, 2024, Consolidated Communications of Northern New England Company, LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications-NNE (Consolidated) filed a request on behalf of it and DISH Wireless L.L.C. (DISH) that the Commission approve DISH's adoption of the terms of an interconnection agreement between AT&T Wireless Services, Inc. and Consolidated's predecessors dated August 17, 2000 (Agreement) and related amendments pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

Section 47 USC 252(e)(2)(A) requires the Commission to approve a negotiated interconnection agreement unless it is determined that the Agreement, or some portion of it, discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or that the implementation of the Agreement would not be consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

In their filing, DISH and Consolidated state that the Agreement does not discriminate against nonparties, is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity and is consistent with the orders, rules and regulations of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission. After review, Department staff found no reason to recommend that the Commission deny the request.

The Department would also note that as recently as January 5, 2024, in Order No. 26,927 and Order No. 26,928, the Commission has approved interconnection agreements via Order *Nisi*. As such, the Department would support an Order *Nisi* for approval of this Agreement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matthew C. Young".

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